

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population
Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area
July 2006/a**

	July 2006/a				Net Change From	
	July 2006	June 2006	July/b 2005	June/b 2005	July/b 2006	June/b 2005
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division						
Civilian Labor Force	2,346,600	2,322,400	2,296,800	2,266,200	24,200	49,800
Total Employed	2,265,000	2,245,200	2,215,500	2,180,500	19,800	49,500
Total Unemployed	81,600	77,300	81,400	85,700	4,300	200
Unemployment Rate	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.8	0.2	0.0
Suburban Ring						
Civilian Labor Force	2,703,100	2,671,500	2,632,900	2,600,000	31,600	70,200
Total Employed	2,617,400	2,590,900	2,549,200	2,514,500	26,500	68,200
Total Unemployed	85,600	80,600	83,700	85,400	5,000	1,900
Unemployment Rate	3.2	3.0	3.2	3.3	0.2	0.0
Washington, D.C. MSA						
Civilian Labor Force	3,005,000	2,970,900	2,938,300	2,899,100	34,100	66,700
Total Employed	2,900,200	2,872,900	2,835,000	2,792,600	27,300	65,200
Total Unemployed	104,800	98,000	103,300	106,500	6,800	1,500
Unemployment Rate	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.7	0.2	0.0

a/ Data may not add to the totals due to independent rounding.

b/ Data reflect 2005 benchmark revisions.

Note: Estimates for the latest year are subject to revision early the following calendar year.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes the District of Columbia, Virginia cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park; the Virginia counties of Arlington, Clarke, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudon, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren; the Maryland Counties of Calvert, Charles, and Prince Georges; and the West Virginia county of Jefferson.

Estimated labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg Metropolitan Division which includes the counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland.

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